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Rome, April 23. N. S.

THE Pope held a Conſiſtory the 18th Inſtant, and afterwards gave Audience to ſeveral Cardinals, and to the Imperial Ambaſſador, who had much Diſcourſe with him about the preſent Juncture of Affairs, and in particular about the Proceedings of the Duke of *Mantua*, in receiving a *French* Garriſon into the Town of *Mantua*, at the ſame time that the Marquis *Beretti* was Treating with the Pope by the Duke's Order, about admitting ſome of his Troops into that Place. The *Spaniſh* Ambaſſador intended to have made Publick Rejoycings here for the King his Maſter's Coronation, and had ordered a Fire-work to be prepared; but the Pope has thought fit to forbid it, to prevent the Diſorders that may happen, by ſo great a Concourſe of People as might come together on this occaſion. The Pope has named Signior *Piazza* to go with the Character of his Nuncio to *Turin*, Signior *Bicchi* to *Switzerland*, and Abbot *Buſſi* to *Florence*, and 'tis believed, Abbot *Archinto* will be ſent as Internuncio to *Bruſſels*. The new Levies, and other Preparations for the Security of the Eccleſiaſtical State, are continued, and the Pope has appointed the Marquis of *Maſſimi* to be Commander in Chief of his Forces in the Country of *Bologna*, and Count *Pholucci* to command in like manner in the Territory of *Ferrara*.

Florence, April 26. The Great Duke of *Tuſcany* has reſolved to augment his Forces, and Commiſſions are given out for making new Levies. The Great Prince and Princeſs intend to go from hence in the beginning of the next week to *Poggio Caiano*, one of their Country-Houſes about 12 miles from this Place. Letters from *Naples* give an Account, that 7 of the Gallies of that Kingdom, and a like number of the Gallies of the Duke of *Turſis*'s Squadron, were fitting out, in order to carry Reinforcements to the *Spaniſh* Garriſons at *Portolongone*, and other Places on the Coaſt of *Tuſcany*; after which 'tis ſaid, they are to go and join a Squadron of *French* Men of War and Gallies at Port *Mahon*.

Venice, April 29. We have Advice, that 15000 *French*, under the Command of the Marſhal *de Catinat*, are encamped near the River *Menze*, not far from *Mantua*, and that the Prince *de Vaudemont* will ſend them a Reinforcement of 2000 *Spaniſh* Horſe, with a Train of Artillery. Part of the *German* Forces are come to *Roveredo*, where they expect the coming up of the reſt of the Army. Signior *Foſcarini* took Poſſeſſion of the Dignity of Procurator of St. *Mark* on *Monday* laſt with the uſual Solemnity. Signior *Cornaro*, eldeſt Son to the Procurator *Cornaro*, has alſo bought the Procuratorſhip for the uſual Sum of 21000 Ducats. Signior *Mocenigo*, Ambaſſador from this Republick to His Majeſty of *Great Britain*, deſigns very ſpeedily to begin his Journey to *England*; and the Senate have made choice of Signior *Nicolo Foſcarini* to be their Ambaſſador to the Court of *France*. Don *Carlos Bacan*, Ambaſſador from *Spain*, made his Publick Entry the 27th Inſtant, and had yeſterday Publick Audience of the Senate.

Dantzick, April 20. Letters from *Warſaw* give an Account, that the Count *de Straatman*, Envoy from the Emperor, does very much preſs the King of *Poland* to make a Peace with *Sweden*, but that he had not hitherto any great Succeſs in this Negociation. The Deputies from ſeveral Palatinates have made Repreſentations to the King to the ſame effect, and to deſire he will ſend his *Saxon* Forces out of the Dominions of *Poland*. They write from *Courland*, that the *Saxon* Forces in that Country are preparing to leave their Quarters, and to march into *Livonia*. They write from *Revel*, that ſeveral Tranſport Ships were arrived there from *Carelſhaven*, and had landed two *Swediſh* Regiments of Foot, and that the ſaid Ships would return to *Sweden* with the firſt fair Wind, in order to bring over more Troops, and to carry thither the Duke *de Croy*, and the other *Muſcovite* Officers who are Priſoners at *Revel*.

Vienna, April 27. Divers Perſons have been ſeized in *Hungary* on account of the Conſpiracy againſt the Emperor and the King of the *Romans*, lately diſcovered, and others who are accuſed to have been concerned therein, have made their eſcapes; This Matter is under further Examination, and ſtrict Search is made after the reſt of the Conſpirators. The Regiment of Dragoons commanded by Prince *Eugene* of *Savoy*, conſiſting in 12 Troops of 75 Men in each, was reviewed yeſterday in the preſence of the Emperor and Empreſs, and the King and Queen of the *Romans*, the Arch Duke and Arch-Dutcheſſes, who were received by Prince *Eugene* at the Head of the Regiment, which afterwards continued their March to *Italy*. The Regiment of *Manſfeld* is expected in two or three days. Prince *Eugene* of *Savoy* intends to go to the Army in the Beginning of the next month.

Francfort, May 4. The Diet of the Circle of *Swabia* aſſembled at *Ulm*, is broke up, having reſolved to keep on foot a good Body of Forces, and to make all other Proviſion for their Security. Count *Lowenſtein*, the Emperor's Envoy, paſſed by this Place yeſterday, going from *Ulm* to *Duſſeldorp*, and Count *Schlick* is gone from hence with a Commiſſion from the Emperor to the Elector of *Bavaria*. The Garriſon of this Place was reinforced this week by two Companies of Foot of the Biſhop of *Wurtzburgh*'s Forces. They write from *Alſace*, that the *French* continue their Preparations in thoſe Parts, and talk of making a Bridge of Boats over the *Rhine* near Fort *Louis*.

Hamburgh, May 6. The Elector of *Hanover* has given out Commiſſions for raiſing a Regiment of Horſe, and another of Dragoons, and the Officers are ordered to have them compleat by the latter end of the next month. Letters from *Courland* give an Account, that the *Saxon* Forces in *Livonia* are preparing to take the Field, and that they expect to be joined by 30000 Men of the Czar of *Muſcovy*'s Forces. The Advices from *Stockholm* ſay, ſeveral Tranſport Ships ſailed from thence the 23d paſt for *Revel*, having on board a *Swediſh* Regiment of Foot, and that the reſt of the *Swediſh* Forces deſigned for *Livonia*, would be ſent away in a ſhort time.

Weſel, May 7. The Regiment of Foot commanded by the Margrave *Philip* of *Brandenburgh*, paſſed by this Place yeſterday going to *Emmerick*, where there is at preſent a Garriſon of 1500 Men. The King of *Pruſſia*'s Forces in theſe Parts are cantoned along the *Rhine*; and 'tis ſaid, they will ſhortly paſs over that River, in order to form a Camp, together with the Troops of the Elector Palatine, to cover the Countries of *Cleves* and *Juliers*. They write from the *Spaniſh Guelderland*, that the *French* are going to make a Bridge of Boats over the *Maeſe* near *Venlo*.

Bruſſels,